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By Vera Caspary and George Sklar

Directed by John Rahe Stage manager Leann Kooi
Costumes by Megan Hetzel

CAST

Mark MacPherson.....A.J. Frigo
Danny Dorgan.....Michael Sosnowski
Waldo Lydecker.....Tanner Brunson
Shelby Carpenter.....Daniel Amador
Bessie Cleary.....Chloe Broeker
Mrs. Dorgan.....Megan Hertzel
The Girl.....Shannon Kiley

The play takes place in the New York apartment of Laura Hunt in August of 1948.

Act 1: Late afternoon Act 2: The next morning
Act 3: The next evening

There will be two ten minute intermissions between acts.
There will a gunshot in act 3

The actors will be smoking tobacco onstage. Persons with respiratory concerns may wish to set closer to the back of the Theatre

Please refrain from taking flash photographs during the performance

Please turn off all phones or other electronic devices during the performance.

The Evans Arts and Science Building is a no smoking facility.

TECHNICAL CREW

Light board operator.....Kayla Wojcik
Sound Board Operator.....Margart Englehart
Running crew.....Amanda Rousseau, Francesca
Hoopfer, Katie Davisson*
Props.....Amanda Rousseau
Set construction and painting.....Amanda Rousseau, Mary DeVault
Francesca Hoopfner, Steve Greenwood,
Jefferson Rollings, Tori Briscoe
Costume crew.....Amanda Rousseau
Design and color.....Ashley Brinkman, Leann Kooi
Sound SFX.....Erik Benson
Publicity crew.....Alicia Tassone, Shannon
Kiley, Juliana Pater
House Manager.....Alycia Tassone
Ushers.....The Columbian Players

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* Denotes membership in the Columbian Players

Music

Jungle Blues, Ferdinand "Jelly Roll" Morton, G. Shirmer, Inc.
1927. Performed by Jelly Roll Morton

Laura, David Raskin and Johnny Mercer, Sierra Music Pub. 1944
Performed by Ella Fitzgerald, The Complete Ella Fitzgerald
Song Book, Verve.

Performed by Dick Haymes, The Best of Dick Haymes, Stardust
Records, 2009

Relaxin' at the Turo, Muggsy Spanier and Joe Bushkin, Bluebird,
1939, performed by Muggsy Spanier and his Ragtime Band,
Bluebird Records, 1939

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MEET THE CAST

Daniel Amador (Shelby Carpenter) is a Sophomore from Highland majoring in Biology. Daniel is also involved in Choir, Men of Saint Joe, Band and Drumline. Daniel would like to say: Enjoy the show!

Erik Benson (Olson) is a senior from Hammond, IN majoring in Computer Science and Religion/Philosophy. Erik is also involved in Jazz Band, Improv Club, Habitat for Humanity, Cup o' Joe, and Columbian Players. Erik would like to say "Thank you to my family, my closest friends, and the entire cast of this show for the unbelievable amount of support. Everyone has worked so hard on making this show the best it can be. This is the result of all our work, and I certainly hope you enjoy the show. Sit back and prepare for some thrills!"

Chloe Broeker (Bessie Cleary) is a sophomore studying Mass Communications and Theatre. Chloe is apart Columbian Players, concert choir, and is a DJ on 93.3 the Joe. Chloe would like to thank her family for always being there for her and supporting her in everything she does.

Tanner Brunson (Waldo Lydecker) is a Senior from Lafayette, Indiana majoring in English with a focus in Creative Writing. Tanner is also involved in Cup of Joe Coffee House, Saint Joseph's Improv Troupe, and Columbian Players. Tanner would like to say, "Thanks for coming out and enjoy the show!"

AJ Frigo (Mark McPherson) is a Junior from Monon, IN majoring in Theatre Arts. AJ is also involved in Rugby, the Improv Club, and is an RA. AJ would like to say Thanks for coming to the show, and I hope that you enjoy yourselves

Megan Hetzel (Mrs. Dorgan) is a junior from Valparaiso majoring in Mass Communications. Megan is also involved in Rugby club, Art club, German club, Columbian Players, TV6 news, 93.3 The Joe WPUM, and is the Vice President of the Improv Club. Megan would like to say that she hopes you enjoy the show--you're in for a surprise!

Shannon Kiley (The Girl) is a Sophomore from Michigan City majoring in Psychology. In addition to Colombian Players, Shannon is also involved in the Improv Club, writes for the Observer, and is a member of the Make a Choice Club. Shannon would like to thank you for coming to support the show & she hopes you enjoy it!

Mike Sosnowski, (Danny), is a senior from Madison, IN majoring in Philosophy/Religion and Creative Writing. Mike is also involved in improv, President of Cup of Joe, and an editor for the Observer. Mike would like to say thank you all for coming out and supporting us. I hope you enjoy the show. And if this happens to be my last show at SJC, it has been a wonderful time.

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Staging a murder mystery is fun. The best ones not only feature complex, psychologically challenging characters but generally call for a style of production which is stark and full of contrasts. In *Laura*, Vera Caspary and George Sklar have succeeded in taking Caspary's novel and transferring the dark tones and tight dialogue to the stage. Add to this the memory of the film noir movie directed by Otto Preminger and a production of the play has a lot to live up to. This young cast has stepped up to meet the challenge and we hope that you have as much fun figuring out "who done it" as they do playing these characters.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

December 7.....The Improv Group Xmas Show

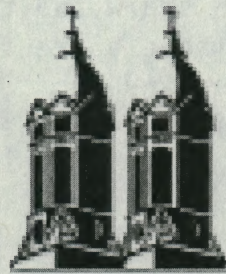
January 30, 31 and February 1....An Evening of One Act Plays

February 14 and 15.....The Actors from the London Stage present
William Shakespeare's AS YOU LIKE IT

April 10,11,12 Musical to be announced



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